IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Fabritius et al.

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METHOD FOR PURIFYING COMPOUNDS CONTAINING FUNCTIONAL GROUPS

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Charlotte, North Carolina May 10, 2007

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated February 22, 2007, kindly consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 6 of this paper.